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**(54) SKIN MEDICINE FOR EXTERNAL USE**

(57) Abstract:

**PURPOSE:** To obtain a skin medicine for external use capable of achieving stability of effects by saikosaponins b1 and b2 such as curing of wounds in the skin, prevention and improvement of skin roughening and prevention of skin slackness and loss of its luster with time by blending the saikosaponins b1 and b2 having the aforementioned effects with a silicone oil.

**CONSTITUTION:** A skin medicine for external use is obtained by blending at least one of (especially 0.001-20wt.%) saikosaponin b1 and saikosaponin b2 separated from the saikosaponin extracted from a plant such as Bupleuri Radix with a silicone oil, e.g. dimethylopolysiloxane, methylphenylpolysiloxane, a fatty-acid-modified polysiloxane or a silicone resin (in an amount of preferably 0.01-85wt.%, especially 0.5-60wt.%). The aforementioned skin

medicine for the external use can be applied to cosmetics such as toilet water, a cream, a milky lotion, a pack or a cosmetic for the scalp or medicines such as a therapeutic agent for wounds or an antiinflammatory ointment.

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